Public Law 87-418

March 16, 1962 [H. R. 7855]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to an amendment to a compact ratified by the States of Louisiana and Texas and relating to the waters of the Sabine River.

Sabine River, La. - Tex. Interstate compact, amendment. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, the consent of the Congress is hereby given to an amendment to the interstate compact relating to the waters of the Sabine River and to its tributaries which was ratified by the Legislature of the State of Texas and ratified by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, which amendment reads as follows:

"ARTICLE VII-

"(C) The Texas members shall be appointed by the Governor for a term of six years; provided, however, that one of the original Texas members shall be appointed for a term to establish a half-term interval between the expiration dates of the terms of such members, and thereafter one such member shall be appointed each three years for the regular term. One of the Louisiana members shall be ex-officion the Director of the Louisiana Department of Public Works; the other Louisiana member shall be a resident of the Sabine Watershed and shall be appointed by the Governor of Louisiana for a term of four years; provided that the first member so appointed shall serve until June 30, 1958. Each State member shall hold office subject to the laws of his State or until his successor has been duly appointed and qualified."

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is expressly reserved. This reservation shall not be construed to prevent the vesting of rights to the use of water pursuant to applicable law and no alteration, amendment, or repeal of this Act shall be held to affect rights so vested.

Approved March 16, 1962.

Reservation,

Public Law 87-419

March 16, 1962 [S. 2774]

AN ACT

To amend section 8 of the Organic Act of Guam and section 15 of the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands, to provide for appointment of acting secretaries for such territories under certain conditions.

Guam and Virgin Islands. Acting secretaries, appointment.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 8 of the Organic Act of Guam (64 Stat. 384, 387; 48 U.S.C. 1422b) is amended by adding the following at the end thereof: "The Governor or Acting Governor may from time to time designate an officer or employee of the executive branch of the government of Guam to act as secretary of Guam in case of a vacancy in the office of secretary of Guam or the disability or temporary absence of the secretary of Guam or while the secretary is acting as Governor, and the person so designated shall have all the powers of the secretary so long as such condition continues, except for the power set forth in the first sentence of section 7 of this Act. No additional compensation shall be paid to any person acting as Governor or as secretary under this Act."